Reviewer’s report

Title: Intravitreal cilium associated with retinal detachment 40 years following penetrating eye injury: a case report

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Major compulsory revisions
Line 58 The presence of cilia intraocularly has been rarely associated with penetrating eye injuries.
Line 68 We present the case of a cilium found in the vitreous cavity of a 79 year old caucasian female patient. We believe that the cilium in question entered in the vitreous cavity as a result of penetrating injury 40 years prior to the time of the vitrectomy. Other less likely ways of entry include phacoemulsification performed 2 years prior to beginning of symptoms or even during the pars plana vitrectomy.
Line 83 There was no evidence of intraocular inflammation
Lines 96 to 98 are repetitive
Line 106 Phacoemulsification is a possible way of foreign body introduction into the eye.
Line 128. Why was the rhegmatogenous RD associated with the cilium? Was there a retinal tear directly adjacent to the cilium?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.